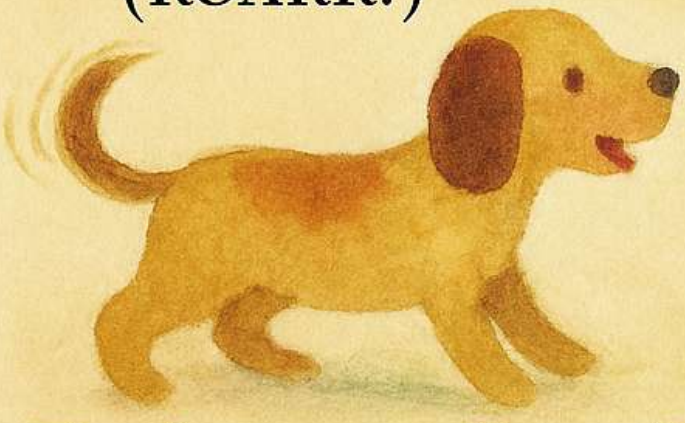
The Lamb in the Zoo

There once was a zoo in a big bustling city.

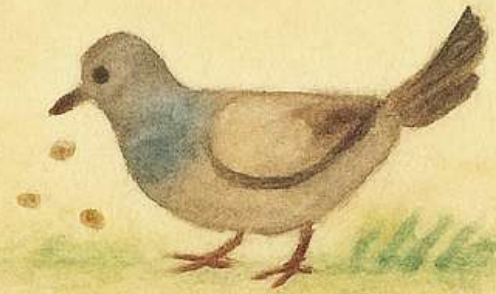
The people clapped.
The people cheered.
The people smiled.

The lion roared.
(ROARR!)

The zebra ran.
(ZIPP!)



The dog wagged his tail.
(Woof!)



The pigeon pecked
at crumbs.
(Peck Peck!)

They looked like they were best friends. But they were not. They were only friends because of the cages that were locked.

When the keys opened, they would fight.

The Zookeeper woudd tell them to stop.
But in the middle of them all
was one teeny little lamb.

He watched. He listened.

And the lamb saw right through it all.

The lion shook his mane.
"I will never leave. I love the applause! I am the king of the zoo! Everyone loves me."
And the people clapped louder. (Clap Clap!)

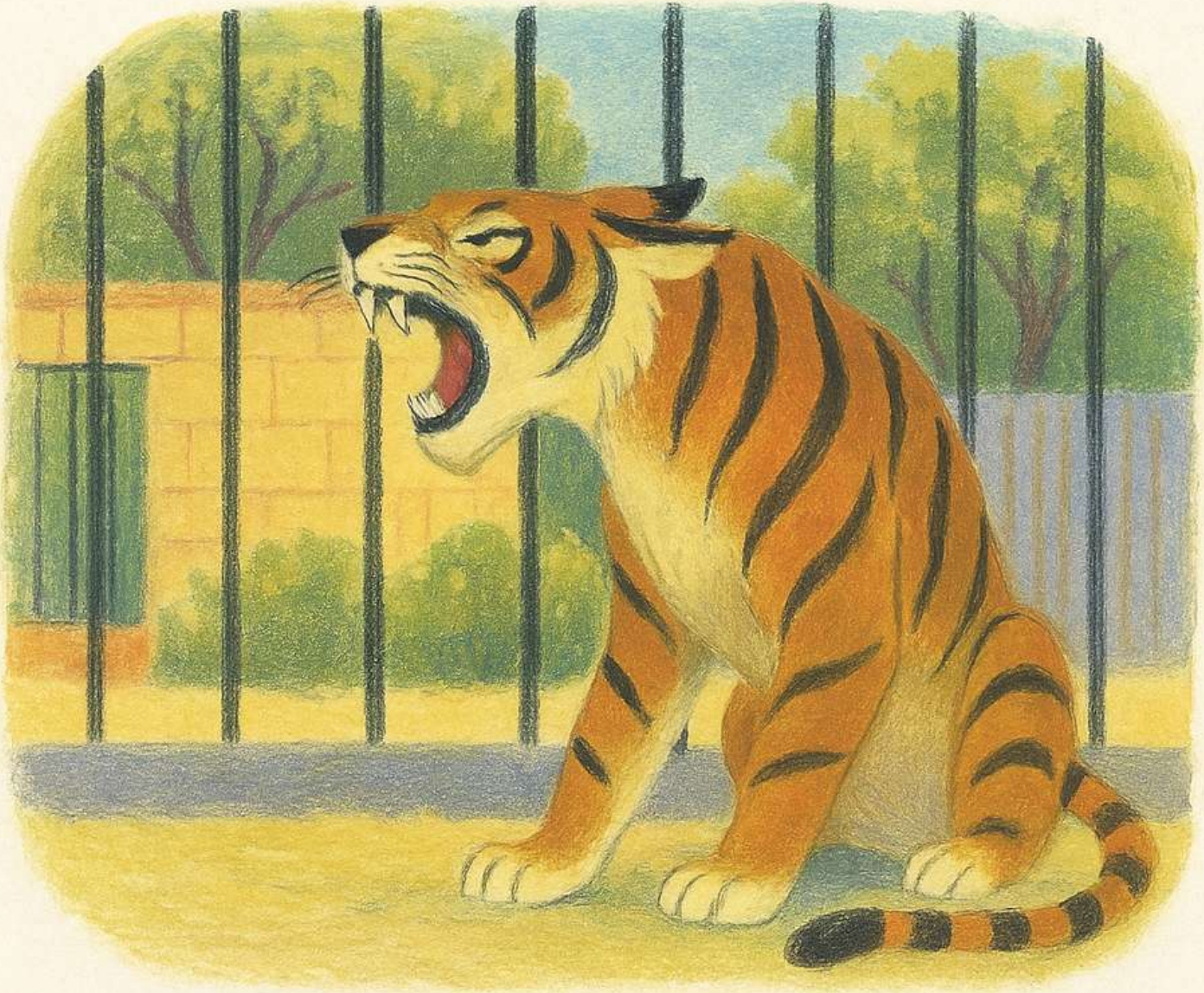
The donkey yawned. (*H*ee-*H*awww)
"Who cares. Why dream of the wild? I'll just
stay here. I don't want to move."

The goat stomped his hooves. (Stomp Stomp!)
"I don't need you, little lamb!
I already have my herd.
We are strong, we are proud, and we are better than all the rest."

The peacock spread his feathers wide. (*Fwoooosh!*)

"Look at me!
Look at my colors!
Everyone stares when I walk by,
Why should I ever leave this stage?"

And she strutted in circles,
never sitting still.

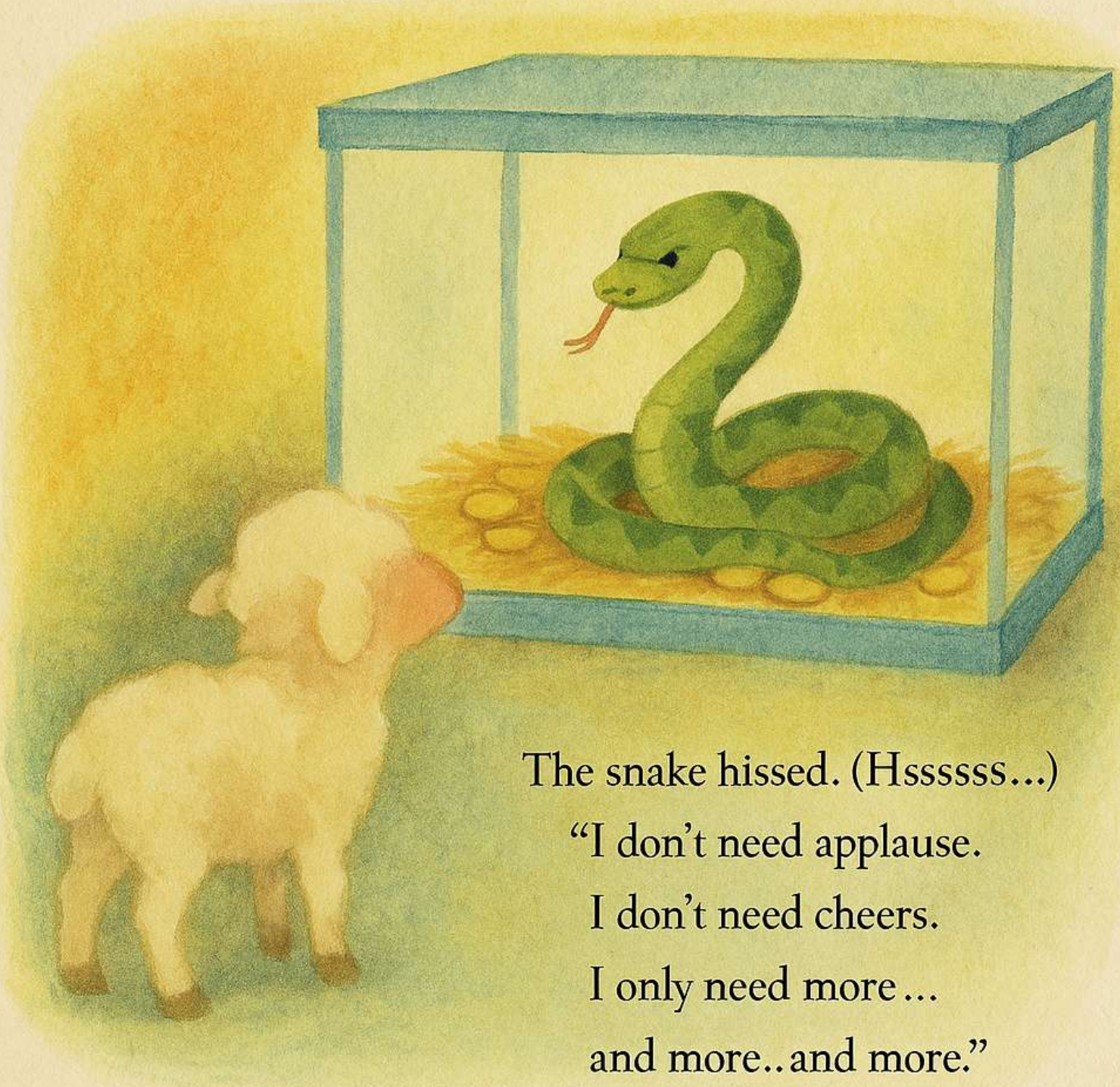


The tiger growled. (Grrrr!)
"I hate that lion. He gets all the cheers!
If I can't be king, then I will fight him for it.
I will take the spotlight for myself!"

And the crowd gasped
at the mighty lion and tiger.

The dog wagged his tail. (Woof!)

"Why should I leave? I get treats every day.
I am warm, I am fed, and I am happy here."



The snake hissed. (Hssssss...)

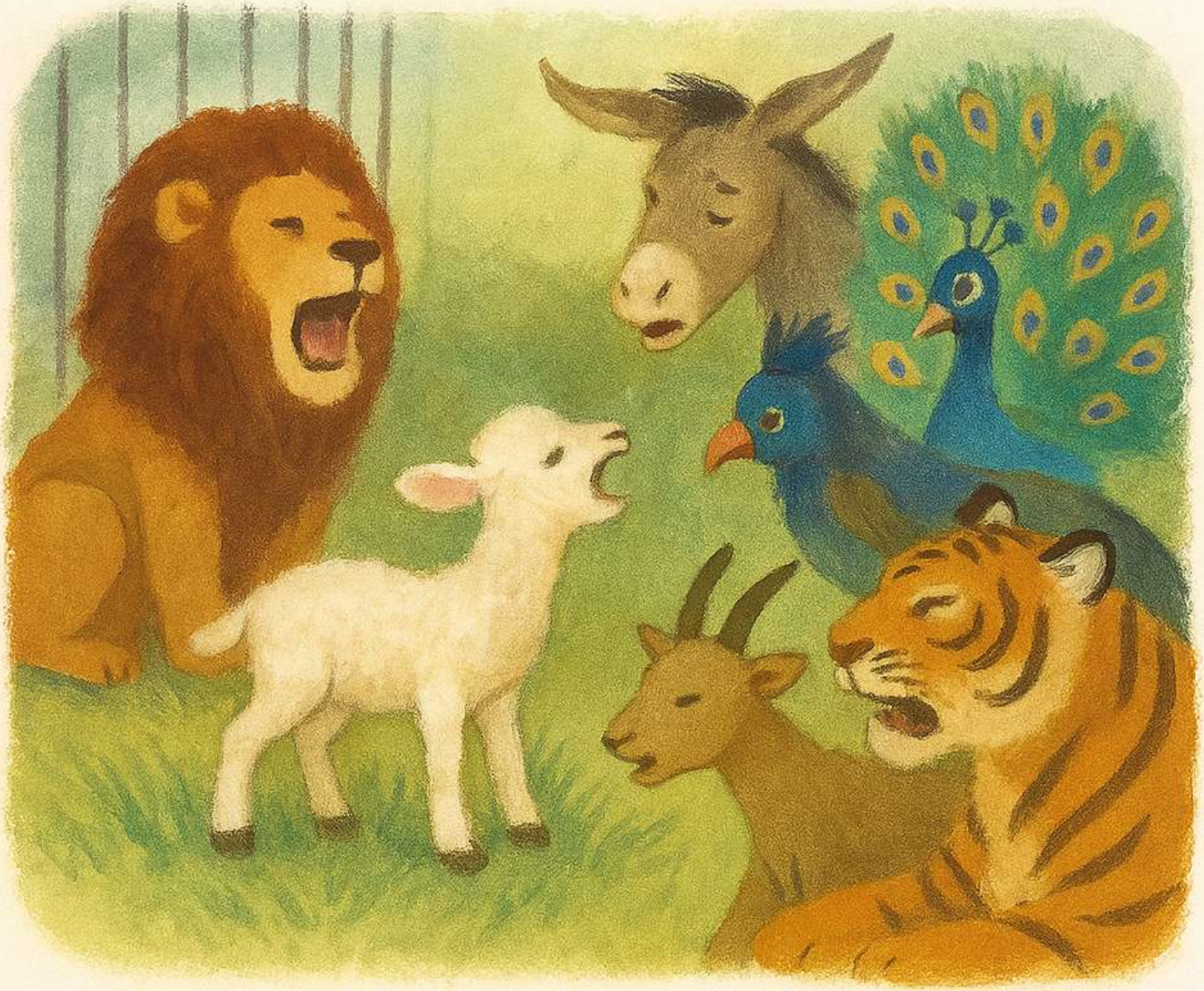
"I don't need applause.

I don't need cheers.

I only need more...

and more..and more."

And the lamb Yelled.
"Let's escape this zoo.
We deserve to be free in the wild."



But the lion laughed. The donkey yawned.
Ive goat stomped. The peacoock strutted.
And no one listened.

The crowd clapped. The lights flashed.
The animals played. And the lamb felt very alone.

One night, the zoo was quiet.
No people. No clapping.
Only the stars.

A Shepherd came to the gate.
He spoke with the Zookeeper.
He opened His hand, and there was
a diamond, bright as the stars.

He looked at the lamb, weak, unwanted,
out of place, and said, “This one is Mine.”

The diamond was bright as the stars.
The Zookeeper grabbed it quickly.
He thought he had won.
But the Shepherd gave it all
just for the teeny little lamb.

The lamb was hungry.
The lamb was afraid.
But the lamb felt free for once.

The Shepherd led him to a field.
where other lambs were waiting.
A flock under His care.

The lamb danced in the wild for the first time
free and happy.

He whispered: ‘Maybe we were never friends.
Maybe we were only enemies waiting.’

but the shepherd came to the lambs and said

one day... the lion and th lamb will lie down
together. And we will not need walls,
or applause, or cages ever again.

And the stars above and the wind in the trees answered him.

He remembered the zoo, his dark past and whispered, “I am safe only with You.”

From that day on, the lamb never looked back at zoo.
He never lost sight of the One who chose him.
He stayed forever close.

The End.